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THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR:—" I have already said that we are considering the transfer of prisoners to their regional areas."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI:—" Show some consideration."

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR:—" We have to show consideration in respect of all prisoners under our control subject to the accommodation available in each of the jails. The question is being elaborately considered and the Government will be implementing their proposals as early as possible."

Cement concreting of the roads along the Highways in South Kanara.

*151 Q.—SRI B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state the total mileage of roads in South Kanara district along the highways and how many miles have been asphalted or macadamised and how many miles are covered by cement concrete?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI:—" Two hundred and seventy-three miles, of which 11 miles have been asphalted and the balance is macadamized."

SRI T. ANANTHA PAI:—" Sir, I find from the answer that not even a mile has been provided with cement concrete. Why is South Kanara singled out for this distinction? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI:—" There are certain tests prescribed for cement concreting. A traffic of about 2,000 tons has to pass over the road. In South Kanara no road satisfies the test. Therefore cement concreting has not been done."

SRI L. LAKSHMANA DAS:—" May I know, Sir, whether it is economical to have cement concrete roads? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI:—" In some places, it is economical."

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU:—" The Hon. Minister was pleased to say that cement concreting of roads is costly. In view of the financial stringency, will he please reconsider and stop further cement concreting of our roads? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI:—" Cement concreting is not done for every mile of road in this State. As I have already said, where there is heavy traffic, cement concreting is resorted to and it is more economical also."

SRI Y. MANJAYA SHETTY:—" In view of the fact that the roads in South Kanara are dusty and the incidence of tuberculosis is heavy, will the Government consider block-surfacing of roads? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI:—" I may tell the hon. Member that not only 273 miles have been macadamized, but another 393 miles also have been water-bound macadamized

in South Kanara. The former is the mileage of the State Highways department, and the latter belonging to the District Board is maintained by the Government."

SRI T. VISWANATHAM:—"The Hon. Minister was pleased to say that not only 273 miles have been macadamized, but another 393 miles also have been water-bound macadamized. May I ask the Hon. Minister whether he is aware that water-bound macadamized roads are not dustless and in fact they raise more dust than he can imagine?"

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI:—"Notice, Sir."

Representations from the Gollapalem Printing and Dyeing Workers' Union, Kakinada.

* 152 *Q.*—SRI C. V. K. RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representation recently from the workers of Gollapalem Printing and Dyeing Workers' Union of Kakinada taluk, regarding the abuse of the quota cloth allotted for that Union for printing and processing purposes; and

(*b*) whether the Government have instituted any enquiry into the matter and if so, the result thereof?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—"(*a*) Yes.

"(*b*) The Collector of East Godavari has been asked to enquire into the matter. His reply is awaited."

SRI C. V. K. RAO:—"How long will it take to finish the enquiry, as in the meantime the parties against whom complaints have been made are seeking the assistance of the police to harass the complainants?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—"Sir, I shall try and get the reply as early as possible."

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU:—"When was the complaint received by the Government?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—"The complaint was received on the 28th May 1952."

Selection of Honorary Magistrates.

* 153 *Q.*—SRI S. S. KOLKEBAIL: Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state what the rules with regard to the nomination to the Selection Committee for selecting Honorary Magistrates in the mufassal are?

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR:—"There are now no Selection Committees for the selection of Honorary Magistrates. The question of nomination to the Selection Committee does not therefore arise."